



Attorney Docket No. 24903

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MARTIN, Thomas

Serial No: 10/070,279

Group Art Unit: 1624

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Examiner: TUCKER, Zachary

For: **TRYPTASE INHIBITORS**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated September 2, 2004. The three-month shortened statutory period for response expired on December 2, 2004. Thus, a Petition for a Two (2)-Month Extension of Time is filed herewith. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed within the time period set by the Examiner.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 11-22 as set forth in Appendix A attached herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as set forth in